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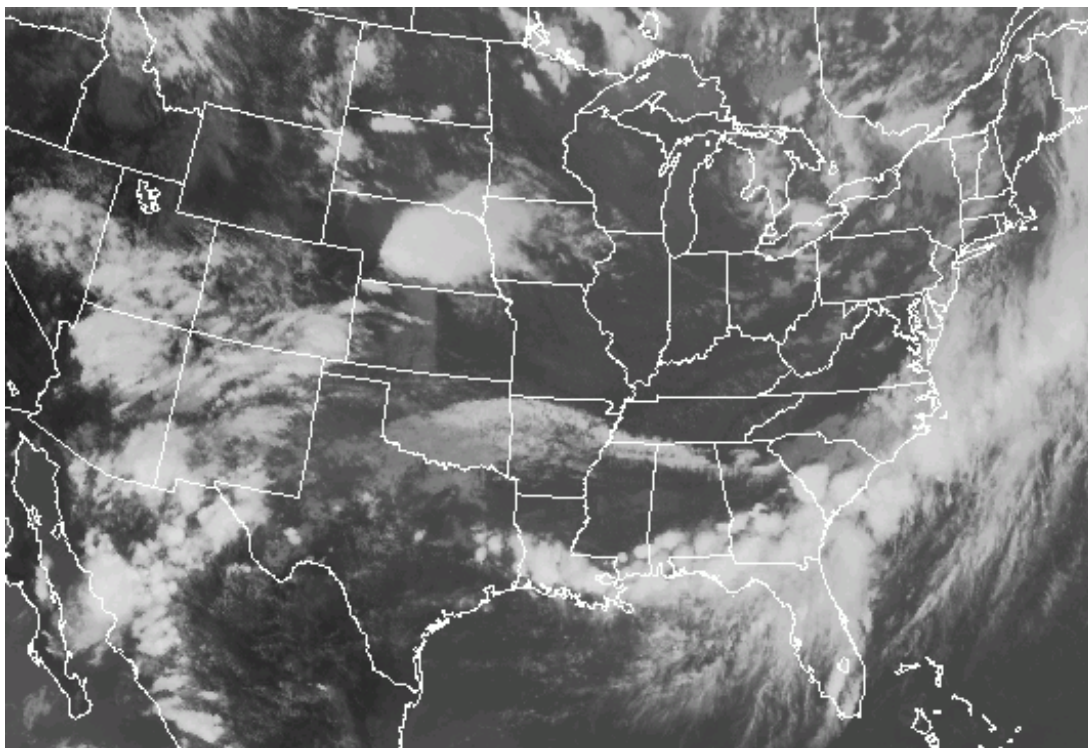
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GOES-8 Infrared Satellite Image taken at 2245Z (6:45 p.m., EDT) on Thursday, June 29, 2000. Apparent features include:

- (1) An early onset of the Southwest Monsoon that brought numerous showers and thunderstorms to the Four Corners region.
- (2) A thunderstorm complex over Nebraska that brought more rain to the central Plains and western Corn Belt.
- (3) A slow moving frontal system over the Gulf Coast States that provided much-needed drought relief with persistent showers to parts of the Southeast.

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